

GEORGE B. STANLEY



George B. Stanley was born August 9, 1899, at Park City, Utah, son of George Franklin Stanley and Harriet Hales.

In November, 1908, his father and family moved to Salt Lake City. While living in Salt Lake he caddied at the Forest Dale Country Club and earned sufficient money to purchase all his clothing. This was a great help to his parents, as they were in very poor circumstances, his father receiving barely enough wages to keep the necessities of life for the family. In December, 1911, the family again moved to Park City. In the summer of 1912 he worked on the ranch of Ezra W. Robertson, and in 1913 labored as a section hand on the D. & R. G. Railroad. From 1914 to 1916 he worked as a section hand on the Union Pacific Railroad and at the old Judge Mill at Park City.

In school he participated in athletics (football, basketball and baseball), and was graduated as valedictorian of his class in June, 1917. In the fall of 1917 he entered the University of Utah, taking a pre-legal course. In 1918 he enlisted in the navy and was ordered to report at San Diego, California, on August 22, where he served three months, after which he was discharged because of the signing of the armistice.

In the spring of 1919 his family moved to Heber Valley, where he met his future wife, Irene Marella Murdock. On April 28, 1920, they were married in the Salt Lake Temple. They raised nine children, all of which are still living. They are as follows: Lois (Mrs. John P. Breinholt), Paul, Lucille (Mrs. Paul Bethers), Don, Ruth (Mrs. Darwin McGuire), Ray, Burton, Lynn and Marilyn. In Heber he worked as a stenographer to J. C. Jensen and also

as a bookkeeper for the Heber Mercantile Company for a little over a year.

On November 19, 1922, he was sustained as a High Priest and ordained by Apostle Stephen L. Richards. At the same time he was sustained as an alternate High Councilman, being set apart by Apostle Richards. On April 15, 1923, he was ordained Bishop of the Heber First Ward by Apostle Joseph Fielding Smith and served until September 7, 1930. Just after his release as Bishop he was installed a member of the Stake High Council.

In the latter part of November, 1922, he leased the business of James C. Jensen, for whom he previously worked. On December 1, 1923, he and his partner, Lee P. Kay, bought the building from Mr. Jensen. He later purchased the interests of Mr. Kay. He took a correspondence course in law from October, 1920, to March, 1931; passed the Utah State Bar examination in March, and received his license to practice law May 18, 1931. Since then he has built a very successful business in law and abstracting. This business is now known as the Stanley Title Company, which has grown from a very small office to two large offices in Heber City, also doing business in Duchesne, Uintah, Emery, Garfield, San Juan, Wayne, Daggett and Grand Counties.